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Ex parte: BRIAN MICHAEL BRIDGEWATER, AND MARTIN JOHN DEETZ, RALPH CRAIG EVEN, MATTHEW STEWART GEBHARD and CAREN ANN PUSCHAK

Application No. 10/700,078

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on October 25, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for review and consideration. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Appellant filed two Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) one dated June 27, 2005 and one dated July 5, 2006. There is no indication on the record that the above Information Disclosure Statements were considered by the Examiner. The Form-1449 needs to be signed by the Examiner and a written communication notifying appellant of the Examiner's consideration is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for:

- 1) consideration and proper written response to the identified Information Disclosure Statements dated June 27, 2005 and July 5, 2006, is required; and
 - 2) to notify appellants of such consideration;
 - 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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